

Texas Vaccine Providers Webinar Highlights – February 22, 2022

Review the highlights of the topics covered in the Feb. 22nd webinar below or view the [full recording](#) for detailed information.

COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

- Providers are encouraged to review the CDC’s recently released 2022 [Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule](#) and [Adult Immunization Schedule](#).
- Pfizer vaccine shippers are beginning to transition to an updated data logger from Controlant. This new device, called “SAGA Logger,” will provide improved performance for monitoring and reporting **during shipment**. The new SAGA Logger is slightly larger in size and, as with the previous logger, **requires return shipping** in the packaging materials provided with your order.

Now You Are Ready to Administer a COVID-19 Vaccine

- When administering COVID-19 vaccine, providers should prepare for the potential management of [anaphylaxis](#) after COVID-19 vaccination; ensure patients complete the [Prevaccination Checklist for COVID-19 Vaccination](#); distribute the appropriate [COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers](#); and review standing orders for COVID-19 vaccines.

Vaccine Safety Systems & Provider FAQs

- V-safe**, the after-vaccination health checker, is easy to use and available in [multiple languages](#). Clients can [add any dependent](#) (family member, friend, or individual who relies on them for support) who is vaccinated in v-safe to receive health check-ins.
- Providers, patients, parents, and caregivers can report a vaccine adverse event to [VAERS](#). For interim recommendations relating to COVID-19 vaccine administration errors, access Appendix A of the CDC’s [Interim Clinical Considerations](#).

COVID-19 Vaccine Product Ordering Updates

- If your facility is hosting a mass vaccination clinic and needs **Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine (purple cap)**, please contact VacShipments at COVID19VacShipments@dshs.texas.gov or **(833) 832-7068 (Option 2)**. Order requests must be for >500 doses and in multiples of 6 doses (1 vial). Order requests for Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine (purple cap) placed via email or phone will be delivered between Monday and Wednesday of the week following the request.
- COVID-19 vaccine providers unable to access VAOS who need assistance **placing a vaccine order, reporting waste, confirming shipments, or transferring vaccine in VAOS** can contact the VacShipments team (contact information above), who can perform these functions on providers’ behalf. For help accessing their VAOS accounts, providers can contact the VacManagement team at COVID19VacMgmt@dshs.texas.gov or (833) 832-7068 (Option 2).

COVID-19 Vaccine ImmTrac2 Reporting

- When reporting COVID-19 vaccines in ImmTrac2, providers should enter trade names that **match the vial label names of their vaccines**. (E.g., if the vial label reads “Moderna COVID-19 vaccine,” this is the trade name that should be used.)

Provider Resources:

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Management Resources \(training and support materials\)](#)
- [ImmTrac2 User Training Site](#)
- [ImmTrac2 Forms and Documents](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment Information](#)
- [CDC Clinical Considerations for or Use of mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- DSHS Provider Help Desk: (833) 832-7068, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; Email: COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov

Live Q&A:

Below are some of the questions DSHS subject matter experts answered during the webinar’s live Q&A sessions.

- Our facility has COVID-19 vaccines expiring at the end of the month. What is the process for transferring them to another facility?
- Our facility has a 24-hour alarm in our refrigerator where we store COVID-19 vaccines. Do we also need a data logger to be compliant with the COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Agreement?
- If a client received a single dose of J&J COVID-19 vaccine and wishes to receive a Moderna COVID-19 booster shot, should we administer 0.25mL or 0.5mL?
- Should all Moderna COVID-19 vaccine now be entered in ImmTrac2 using the trade name “Spikevax,” or only doses from vials labeled as “Spikevax”?

